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**AMENDMENT, PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
TO MAINTAIN PARENT CASE WHEN AT THE SAME TIME
FILING NEW APPLICATION CLAIMING ITS BENEFIT**

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NOTE: The PTO finds it useful if a copy of the petition filed in the prior application extending the term for response is filed with the papers constituting the filing of the continuation application. Notice of Nov. 5, 1985 (1060 O.G. 27).

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(Amendment, Petition and Fee for Extension of Time to Maintain Parent Case When at the Same Time Filing Application Claiming Its Benefit [4-5.1]—page 1 of 4)

1. The amendment in this case is a ~~bona fide attempt by applicant to respond and to advance this application to final action, while at the same time filing a PROSECUTION APPLICATION FILED FOR CONSIDERATION OF AN IDS~~ (check (a), (b), or (c), as applicable)

- (a) ☒ Continuation application. (CPA)
(b) ☐ Continuation-in-part application.
(c) ☐ Divisional application (where parent case is to be abandoned).

A copy of this amendment and petition is being filed with the papers constituting the filing of the separately filed application.

NOTE: Each paper or fee referred to as enclosed herein has the number of the "Express Mail" label placed thereon prior to mailing. 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(b).

2. The amendment being filed in this case is attached. (CPA APPLICATION)

3. This is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time to respond to

(check and complete (d) or (e), as applicable)

- (d) ☒ the Office Action mailed ~~SEPTEMBER 10, 2001~~ APRIL 10, 2001
(e) ☐ other _____

4. Applicant is:

- ☐ a small entity.

A statement:

- ☐ is enclosed.

- ☐ has already been filed. This status is still proper and its benefit under 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a) is hereby claimed.

- ☒ other than a small entity.

5. Extension requested:

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) ☒ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) (fees: 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 390.00	\$ 195.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 890.00	\$ 445.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$ 1,390.00	\$ 695.00

Fee: \$ 920.⁰⁰

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

- ☐ An extension for _____ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request: \$ _____

or

- (b) ☐ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

6. Fee payment:

- ☒ Attached is a ☒ check ☐ money order in the amount of \$ 920.⁰⁰
☐ Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$ _____
☐ to Deposit Account No. _____
☐ to Credit card as shown on the attached credit card information authorization form PTO-2038.

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- ☐ Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above.

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7. Fee deficiency

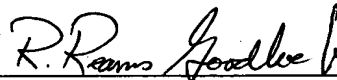
NOTE: If there is a fee deficiency and there is no authorization to charge an account, additional fees are necessary to cover the additional time consumed in making up the original deficiency. If the maximum, six-month period has expired before the deficiency is noted and corrected, the application is held abandoned. In those instances where authorization to charge is included, processing delays are encountered in returning the papers to the PTO Finance Branch in order to apply these charges prior to action on the cases. Authorization to charge the deposit account for any fee deficiency should be checked. See the Notice of April 7, 1986 (1065 O.G. 31-33).

- ☐ The Office is hereby authorized to charge, in the manner shown above, the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application.

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